

IN THE CLAIMS:

- 1 1. A method of texture filtering, comprising the steps of:
 - 2 receiving input information relating to polygon and texture data; and
 - 3 morphing a texture reconstruction filter characteristic based upon the input
 - 4 information so that after subsamples are aggregated, an effective filter
 - 5 characteristic matches the texture reconstruction filter characteristic of a texture
 - 6 reconstruction filter used for coarse sampling.
- 1 2. The method of claim 1 wherein the input information relates to a rate of
- 2 sampling of the polygon data.
- 1 3. The method of claim 1 wherein the input information relates to a degree of
- 2 warping per texture coordinate.
- 1 4. The method of claim 1 wherein the effective filter characteristic matches the
- 2 characteristic of a bilinear filter.
- 1 5. The method of claim 1 wherein the effective filter characteristic matches the
- 2 characteristic of a combination of a bilinear filter and a box filter.
- 1 6. The method of claim 1 wherein the effective filter characteristic matches the
- 2 characteristic of a combination of a linear filter between MIP levels and a
- 3 combination of a bilinear filter and a box filter.
- 1 7. The method of claim 1 wherein the morphing of the texture reconstruction
- 2 filter characteristic is performed in a continuous manner.

1 8. The method of claim 1 wherein the morphing of the texture reconstruction
2 filter characteristic is determined by a value $\beta = \min(\delta * (n-1)/n, 1.0)$ wherein δ is a
3 degree of warping per texture coordinate and n is a sampling rate of the polygon
4 data.

1 9. An electronically-readable medium having embodied thereon a program, the
2 program being executable by a machine to perform method steps for texture
3 filtering, the method steps comprising:

4 receiving input information relating to polygon data and texture data; and
5 morphing a texture reconstruction filter characteristic based upon the input
6 information so that after subsamples are aggregated, an effective filter
7 characteristic matches the texture reconstruction filter characteristic of a texture
8 reconstruction filter used for coarse sampling.

1 10. The electronically-readable medium of claim 9 wherein the input
2 information relates to a rate of sampling of the polygon data.

1 11. The electronically-readable medium of claim 9 wherein the input
2 information relates to a degree of warping per texture coordinate.

1 12. The electronically-readable medium of claim 9 wherein the morphing of the
2 texture reconstruction filter characteristic is performed in a continuous manner.

1 13. An apparatus for texture filtering, comprising:
2 a first module adapted to detect a sampling rate n of polygon data;

3 a second module coupled to the first module adapted to select a filtering

4 mode based upon a sampling rate n of polygon data and a degree of warping δ per

5 texture coordinate; and

6 a third module coupled to the second module adapted to compute texel

7 blending factors based on the filtering mode determined by the second module.

1 14. The apparatus of claim 13 wherein the second module selects a filtering

2 mode based upon a value $\beta = \min(\delta * (n-1)/n, 1.0)$.

1 15. The apparatus of claim 13 further comprising a fourth module coupled to

2 the third module adapted to detect a degree of warping δ per texture coordinate.

1 16. An apparatus for texture filtering comprising:

2 a filter select module adapted to select a filtering mode based upon a

3 sampling rate n of polygon data; and

4 a texel blending module coupled to the filter select module adapted to

5 compute texel blending factors based on the filtering mode determined by the

6 filter select module.

1 17. The apparatus of claim 16 wherein the filter select module determines a

2 filter characteristic of a selected filtering module based upon the sampling rate n

3 and a degree of warping δ per texture coordinate.

1 18. The apparatus of claim 16 wherein the filter select module selects the

2 filtering mode based upon a value $\beta = \min(\delta * (n-1)/n, 1.0)$.

1 19. An apparatus for texture filtering, comprising:
2 means for receiving input information relating to polygon data and texture
3 data; and
4 means for morphing a texture reconstruction filter characteristic based
5 upon the input information so that after subsamples are aggregated, an effective
6 filter characteristic matches the texture reconstruction filter characteristic of a
7 texture reconstruction filter used for coarse sampling.